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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) Whether the collection revenue of the Department of Central Excise and Customs is declining;

(b) If so, the reasons therefor alongwith the revenue collected during the last three years and the present year till date;

(c) Whether the Government propose to revamp the Central Exciseand Customs Department in order to meet the declining revenue collection;

(d) If so, the details thereof; and

(e) If not, the reasons therefor the other corrective steps taken in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI GINGEE N. RAMACHANDRAN)

(a) & (b) The revenue collected during the last three years and the present year till date is given below:

(Rs Crore)

	Customs	Excise #
1998-99	41278	52454
1999-2000	48334	61747
2000-01	47620	68242
April-October 2001	23131 (P)	37073 (P)

#: Excise revenue is exclusive of cesses not administered by Department of Revenue.

Note: Revenue collections are as per departmental records.

P = Provisional figures.

There was no decline in the revenue from excise duty during 1998-99 to 2000-01. As regards customs, there was marginal decline in revenue in 2000-01 over previous year. Apart from other factors, the reduction of customs duty on crude & petroleum products in September, 2000 contributed to decline in revenue in that year.

(C), (d) & (e) A proposal to achieve restructuring of the Customs & Central Excise Department for enhanced revenue productivity, better tax management, improving administrative efficiency is in the process of implementation.